

House Resolution 1479

By: Representative Williams of the 178<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of SP-5 Harry E. Chesser and dedicating a bridge in his memory; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Harry E. Chesser courageously answered his country's call to defend freedom  
4 by serving as a door gunner on a search and rescue helicopter as a member of the United  
5 States Army in Vietnam from September 23, 1969, until August 15, 1970; and

6 WHEREAS, he was killed in action on August 15, 1970, in Quang Ngai Province, South  
7 Vietnam; and

8 WHEREAS, his selfless sacrifice for the sake of our freedom halfway around the world  
9 represents what is the best about Americans and America; and

10 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and Brantley County owe a debt of gratitude to this native  
11 son for the sacrifice of his young life at 21 years of age; and

12 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that the ultimate sacrifice of this brave warrior be  
13 honored by dedicating a lasting memorial in his memory.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
15 GEORGIA that the bridge over the Satilla River on SR 301 North in Brantley County be  
16 dedicated as the SP-5 Harry E. Chesser Memorial Bridge.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
18 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the SP-5 Harry E. Chesser  
19 Memorial Bridge.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
21 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Harry E.  
22 Chessser and the Department of Transportation.